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### Document No. 3222 PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

CHAPTER 103

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Section 58-3-140

- 103-514. Interruption of Service/Violation of Rules
- 103-714. Interruption of Service
- 103-831. Computation of Time
- 103-859. Emergency Procedures
- 103-830.1 Service between Parties of Record

Synopsis: The Public Service Commission has promulgated amended regulations regarding notification to the Commission of Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) violations which result in the issuance of a DHEC order and included provisions for water and wastewater advisories. Further, the Commission has promulgated an amended regulation governing computation of time to exclude Petitions for Reconsideration and Rehearing, and it has promulgated an amended regulation governing emergency procedures and provided for the publication of disconnections on the Commission's website. Finally, the Commission has promulgated a new regulation which allows for the electronic service of documents between parties of record.

**Instructions:** Print the regulations in accordance with directions given below to reflect new regulations.

- 103-514 print as amended and shown below
- 103-714 print as amended and shown below
- 103-831 print as amended and shown below
- 103-859 print as amended and shown below
- 103-830.1 print as shown below

#### Text:

103-514. Interruption of Service/Violation of Rules.

- C. All Wastewater Utilities under the jurisdiction of the commission shall file with the commission and the ORS in writing a notice of any violation of a PSC regulation or a DHEC regulation which results in the issuance of a DHEC order. If the report includes information regarding a DHEC violation which results in the issuance of a DHEC order, the filer shall note if the DHEC order is under appeal and shall inform the commission of the resolution of the appeal. This notice shall be filed within twenty-four hours of the time of the inception of the violation or of the utility's receipt of the issuance of a DHEC order and shall detail the steps taken to correct the violation, if the violation is not corrected at the time of occurrence. The Company shall notify the commission and the ORS in writing within fourteen calendar days after the violation has been corrected.
- D. All Wastewater Utilities under the jurisdiction of the commission shall provide the ORS Consumer Services Division a copy of all advisories affecting ten or more customers within twenty-four hours of issuance. The utility shall notify the ORS Consumer Services Division in writing when the advisory has been lifted.

- C. All Water Utilities under the jurisdiction of the commission shall file with the commission and the ORS in writing a notice of any violation of a PSC regulation or a DHEC regulation which results in the issuance of a DHEC order. If the report includes information regarding a DHEC violation which results in the issuance of a DHEC order, the filer shall note if the DHEC order is under appeal and shall inform the commission of the resolution of the appeal. This notice shall be filed within twenty-four hours of the time of the inception of the violation or of the utility's receipt of the issuance of a DHEC order and shall detail the steps to be taken to correct the violation, if the violation is not corrected at the time of occurrence. The Company shall notify the commission and the ORS in writing within fourteen calendar days after the violation has been corrected.
- D. All Water Utilities under the jurisdiction of the commission shall provide the ORS Consumer Services Division a copy of all advisories affecting ten or more customers within twenty-four hours of issuance. The utility shall notify the ORS Consumer Services Division in writing when the advisory has been lifted.

#### 103-831. Computation of Time.

The computation of time shall be governed by Rule 6 of the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure. Extensions of time may be granted by the commission for good cause shown. The provisions of Regulation 103-831 do not apply to Petitions for Rehearing or Reconsideration.

#### 103-859. Emergency Procedures.

- A. When it appears to the commission or to the Office of Regulatory Staff that a utility is planning to disconnect its service to a customer(s) in violation of the commission's Rules and Regulations and under circumstances which prevent the full commission from meeting to address the issue, upon the request of a customer, the Office of Regulatory Staff, or on a commissioner's initiative, any one commissioner may issue an Order on behalf of the commission restraining and/or enjoining a utility from disconnecting service or requiring the utility to maintain the status quo with its customer(s) until further Order of the commission. Any report of such prospective disconnection shall be published on the commission's website. Thereafter, at the next scheduled commission meeting with proper legal notice, the full commission shall consider the Order of the single commissioner and take such action of the single commissioner's Order as it deems appropriate.
- B. When it appears to the commission or to the Office of Regulatory Staff that a utility has disconnected a customer's service in violation of the commission's Rules and Regulations and under circumstances which prevent the full commission from meeting to address the issue, upon the request of a customer, the Office of Regulatory Staff, or on a commissioner's initiative, any one commissioner may issue an Order on behalf of the commission requiring the utility to reconnect the service and maintain that status quo until further Order of the commission. Any report of such disconnection shall be published on the commission's website. Thereafter, at the next scheduled commission meeting with proper legal notice, the full commission shall consider the Order of the single commissioner and take such action on the single commissioner's Order as it deems appropriate.

#### 103-830.1. Service between Parties of Record.

Upon written agreement by all the parties in a docket, service of filings made in a docket at the commission may be made through e-mail or electronic service. The written agreement memorializing the parties' consents shall be filed with the commission in the appropriate docket.

Fiscal Impact Statement: There will be no increased costs to the State or its political subdivisions.

Statement of Rationale: The purpose of 26 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-514, 103-714, 103-831, 103-859, and 103-830.1 is to provide, *inter alia*, that the Commission and the ORS are to be notified of violations of DHEC regulations that result in the issuance of a DHEC order; to exclude Petitions for Rehearing and Reconsideration from the regulation governing computation of time, as these Petitions are governed by statutes; to allow a customer, the ORS or a commissioner to request that a single commissioner issue an order prohibiting the disconnection of service; and to allow for electronic service of pleadings between parties. There was no scientific or technical basis relied upon in the development of this regulation.



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November 6, 2008

The Honorable Andre Bauer President of the Senate State House, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor East Wing P.O. Box 142 Columbia, South Carolina 29202

Dear Lieutenant Governor Bauer:

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Thank you for your attention regarding this matter.

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